GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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SCEMESPROGRAMMES UNDER NATIONAL RURAL HEALTH MISSION
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Rural Health Mission has failed to achieve its target of selecting and (raining the accredited Social Health Activists(ASHA);

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the National Advisory Council has expressed concern over the slow pace of the schemeprogrammes under the Mission;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps takenbeing taken by the Union Government to implement them

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) No. Sir.

(b) Under the National Rural Health Mission, 2.5 lakh trained female Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA) have to be selected in a phased manner in 10 states comprising eight EAG States, Jammu & Kashmir and Assam. Out of this, 40% of the lolal i.e. 1 lakh ASHAs are to be selected in year 2005-06. The time target for completion of the same is by the end of the year 2005-06.

(c) & (d) A presentation was made by the Ministry at a meeting of the NAC. The NAC has given its comments and observations for making the mission more effective.

(e) The Ministry is finalizing an implementation plan for the NRHM which is inter alia addressing the comments and observations of the NAC.